

29 January 1952

To: Chief, SR

From: Chief, SR/West

Subject: AERODYNAMIC/Meeting with CASSOWARY 2, 26 January 1952

1. The undersigned met CASS 2 at the Pennsylvania Hotel and during a four hour conference discussed the points on the prearranged memorandum, a copy of which is attached hereto. Following is a summary of the discussions:

a. CASS 2 stated that he is willing to meet CAVATINA 1 either alone or with others anywhere and at any time.

b. At such a meeting he will try to reach an overall agreement with CAVATINA 1, but failing that he will try to reach an agreement on one operational staff, which he considers essential to future operations. CASS 2 stated that he would be willing to assume a position on the operational staff if need be.

c. CASS 2 has no objections to working with CAVATINA 5 if CAVATINA 1 should select him as his representative.

d. If the meeting takes place, CASS 2 would want to know in advance who will attend the conference. If CAVATINA 2 accompanies CAVATINA 1 then CASS 2 will request that CASSOWARY 3 also be present. CASS 2 desires to have the same representation as CAVATINA 1, excluding purely bodyguards if any.

e. CASS 2 stated that he is open-minded on questions of joint or single team dispatches and feels that with good will on both sides this would not be a major problem. He would be willing to accept a CAVATINA 1 man as team group leader if he were best qualified man for the job.

f. CASS 2 requested that CASSOWARY 3 be notified of the above points as his personal views.

2. CASS 2 stated that he has been having a bit of difficulty with FBI representatives. Apparently at an earlier date he reported that FBI requested him to register as a foreign agent. This he did not do on [] advice. He does not know the reason for [] advice. Consequently for the past four or five months an FBI representative has been calling on him and wanting to know why he refused to register. The latest FBI visit was last week. The undersigned said he saw no reason why CASS 2 should not register and advised him to register as promptly as possible. CASS 2 further stated that the same FBI agent is apparently

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an FBI recruiter and would like to recruit him as an FBI informer to report regularly on Ukrainian activities in New York City. He stated that he obviously did not wish to play the role of an FBI informant. (Note: We are preparing a memorandum to the FBI suggesting that they do not proceed with their efforts of recruiting CASS 2 as an agent.)

3. Subject is now employed as a laborer with the Crucible Steel Company in the vicinity of Newark, N. J. He apparently has a very difficult time making ends meet and is working very hard. He appears to have lost contact with general Ukrainian activities in the U. S. and certainly has no information of value on such activities in Europe and none at all on the Ukraine itself. He is very mild and agreeable, accepting practically all suggestions made by the undersigned. No political problems of any type were discussed and CASS 2 only generally referred to his other interests but immediately stated that they were well known to us and that the undersigned obviously did not wish to discuss them.

4. CASS 2 stated that he would prefer to have CAVATINA 1 come to the States "because it would be easier for me to see him over the week-end without losing any pay at my job." The undersigned stated that it was not desirable to have CAVATINA 1 come to the States but more preferable to have the meeting held in Germany. If, however, CAVATINA 1 objected to such arrangements we would consider holding the meeting in London. CASS 2 agreed and expressed the wish that the undersigned accompany him to such a conference. He stated that he has not seen CAVATINA 1 since approximately 1948 and would be interested in meeting him again as they were good friends at one time. If, however, CAVATINA 1 brought others with him, CASS 2 would request that CASSOWARY 3 and possibly others be present at such a conference too. He agreed that it would be desirable to limit the conference to himself, CASSOWARY 3, CAVATINA 1 and CAVATINA 2. He appeared to be entirely open-minded about the meeting and stated that he believes CAVATINA 1 is approaching him on grounds of good will and sincere intentions and he saw no reason why a joint operational staff could not be agreed on. He emphasized his personal conviction that such a joint staff is absolutely necessary under present conditions and for the planning of future operations into the Ukraine. He felt sure that CAVATINA 1 was of the same point of view. Accepting CAVATINA 1's good intentions, CASSOWARY 2 stated that the matter of team leaders or mixed teams would have to be determined by the personalities involved, choosing the most compatible people and the best leaders, irrespective of whether they happened to be ZP UHVR or OUN/B members.

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